



MITIGATED DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE

Description of proposal: This SEPA checklist is being prepared for the following sales: Touch Timber Sale, Agreement No. 30-084209 and Forest Practices Application No. 2919472 and Over Timber Sale, Agreement No. 30-084390 and Forest Practices No. 2919471. These are variable retention harvests of approximately 167 acres in 4 units and 2 right-of-ways, with 7,702 feet of road construction, 2,519 feet of road reconstruction, 1,671 feet of road abandonment, and 63,820 feet of pre-haul maintenance.

Description of mitigation: The following mitigation measures will be implemented with this proposal:

- Riparian Management Zones (RMZ) averaging 192 feet wide on type 3 streams and a minimum 100-foot RMZ along type 4 streams have been retained to protect water quality, provide corridors for wildlife, and maintain habitat for fish and amphibians.
- Wildlife tree and snag recruitment will be accomplished by retaining a minimum of 8 trees per acre, consisting of conifer and hardwood species.
- The most current design and construction techniques will be used for road construction and maintenance operations to minimize impacts on water quality.
- Removing two fish blockages, this will open approximately 3,500 feet of fish habitat.

Proponent: Department of Natural Resources

Location of proposal: Sections 3 and 4, Township 16 North, Range 4 (West) W.M. and Sections 26, 27, 34, and 35, Township 17 North, Range 4 (West) W.M., approximately 4 miles by road, northeast of Oakville, off the D-Line road systems in Grays Harbor/Thurston County, Washington.

Lead agency: Department of Natural Resources

The lead agency for this proposal has determined that it does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c). This decision was made after review of a completed environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency. This information is available to the public on request.

☐ There is no comment period for this Mitigated DNS.

☒ This MDNS is issued under 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days from April 27, 2009. Comments must be submitted by May 11, 2009.



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There is no agency SEPA appeal.